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Docket No. UNSYD 39709

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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Title: A METHOD FOR PREVENTING OR CONTROLLING CATARACT

Examiner: Z. Fay

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office action dated March 20, 2000. Submitted concurrently herewith is a Petition for a One Month Extension of Time.

REMARKS

In the March 20, 2000 Office action, claims 14-28 and 34-38 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as allegedly containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected to make and/or use the invention. In response to the Section 112, first paragraph rejection, Applicants respectfully submit that the term "after-cataract" is indeed readily understood by a person skilled in the art. In fact, "after-cataract" (or "aftercataract") is a well